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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Computing systems and input devices can include a chassis
with a computing device and an input tool with a sensor,
such as a pen- or rod-like input tool, that can be positioned
relative to the chassis in multiple configurations. In one
configuration, the tool can be spaced away from the chassis
and its sensor output can cause a first output signal in
response to input provided to the sensor. In another con-
figuration, the tool can be contacting the chassis and its
sensor output can cause a second output signal in response
to input provided to the sensor. For example, an input tool
can be stowed in a recess of a keyboard housing or device
chassis, and the input tool can produce a first output when
it is in the recess and a second input when it has been
removed from the chassis.

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